

Use of Trilinos for Stellar Hydrodynamics

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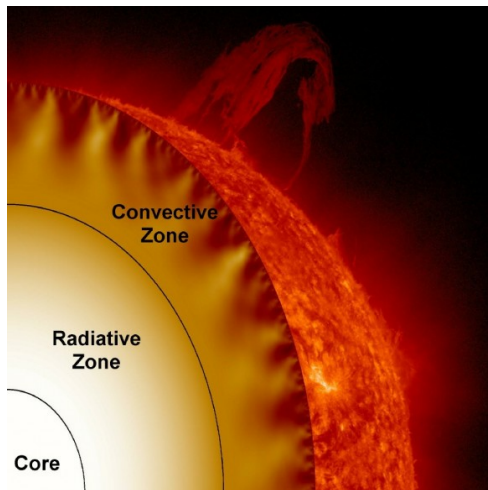


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Challenges of Stellar Interiors

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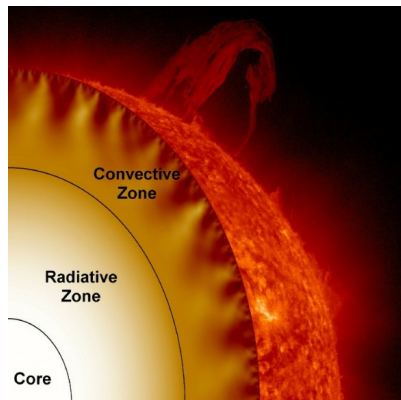


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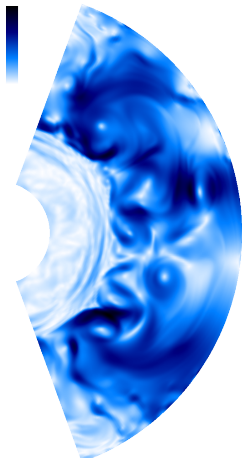
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1D Stellar Evolution

- ▶ Stellar evolution dependent on 1D, spherically symmetric simulations
- ▶ Parametrise multidimensional phenomena:
 - ▶ Shear Mixing
 - ▶ Turbulent convection (Mixing length theory)
 - ▶ Accretion
 - ▶ Rotation
- ▶ Many free parameters-hinder predictive capabilities
- ▶ However, it is these results we must link to observations

3D Stellar Physics

- ▶ Test the 1D formalism
 - ▶ Improve predictive capability
- ▶ Lots of data becoming available (Gaia, CoRoT, Kepler)
- ▶ Existing work often uses explicit or Boussinesq or anelastic approximations
 - ▶ Inappropriate for modelling entire stellar interior
 - ▶ Explicit methods severely restrict time of simulation
- ▶ MUSIC offers fully compressible, implicit, hydrodynamics

Spatial Discretisation

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho &= -\nabla \cdot (\rho\vec{u}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho e &= -\nabla \cdot (\rho e\vec{u}) - P\nabla \cdot \vec{u} - \nabla \cdot (\chi\nabla T) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial t}\rho\vec{u} &= -\nabla \cdot (\rho\vec{u} \otimes \vec{u}) - \nabla P + \rho\vec{g}\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ Finite volume discretisation
- ▶ Total variation diminishing
- ▶ Second order in space

$$P = P(\rho, e)$$

$$T = T(\rho, e)$$

$$\chi = \frac{16\sigma T^3}{3\kappa\rho}$$

$$\kappa = \kappa(T, \rho)$$

Temporal Discretisation

- ▶ Crank-Nicolson, 2nd order in time
- ▶ Use Newton-Raphson method to solve non-linear problem
- ▶ Linear Solve-Trilinos, JFNK
- ▶ Preconditioner, approximate semi-implicit system
- ▶ Semi-implicit system-Trilinos, Matrix based.

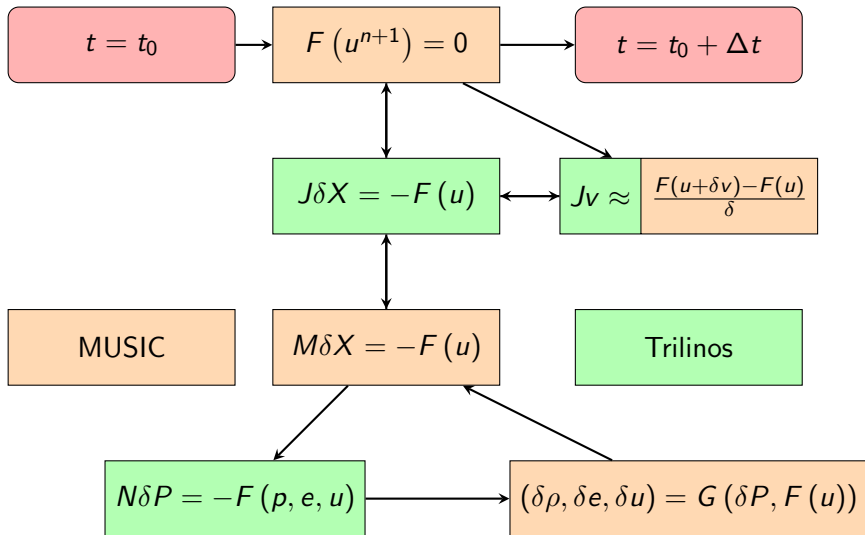
Preconditioner

- ▶ Use approximate solution of full implicit system as preconditioning operator.
- ▶ Purpose written semi-implicit (SI) scheme:
 - ▶ Linearisation, advection treated explicitly.
 - ▶ First order in time&space.
 - ▶ Treats sound waves, and optionally thermal diffusion implicitly.
 - ▶ Stability based on $\frac{\Delta x}{|\bar{u}|}$, not, $\frac{\Delta x}{c_s + |\bar{u}|}$
 - ▶ Designed to be Mach number independent.

Preconditioner

- ▶ Use approximate solution of full implicit system as preconditioning operator.
- ▶ Purpose written semi-implicit (SI) scheme.
- ▶ Resulting linear problem smaller and more sparse.
- ▶ Solve using GMRES, ML-Preconditioner

Typical Time Step



Mach Number Independence

- ▶ Key numerical challenge
- ▶ Motivation behind time-implicit methods
- ▶ Calibrate MUSIC using ideal gas problems
- ▶ Seek range, $10^{-6} \leq M_s \leq 10^{-1}$

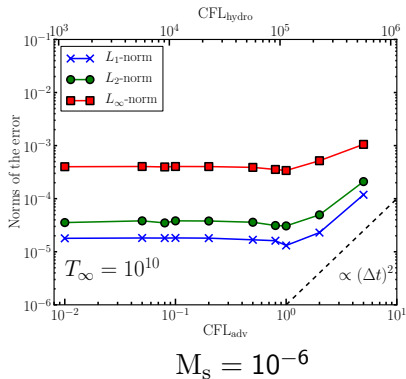
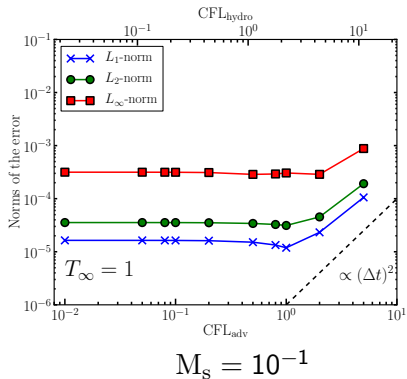
2D Vortex Advection

- ▶ Problem definition:

$$\rho = (T_\infty + \delta T)^{\frac{1}{\gamma-1}} \quad e = \frac{\rho^{\gamma-1}}{\gamma-1}.$$
$$u = u_\infty + \delta u \quad v = v_\infty + \delta v$$

- ▶ Vary Mach number by fixing u_∞, v_∞ , and varying T_∞ .
- ▶ Calculate L_1, L_2, L_∞ norms on velocity
- ▶ Simulate problem for range of fixed timesteps.

2D Vortex Problem - Errors



Taylor Green Vortex Decay

- ▶ Problem definition:

$$u_x(x, y, z) = u_0 \sin x \cos y \cos z,$$

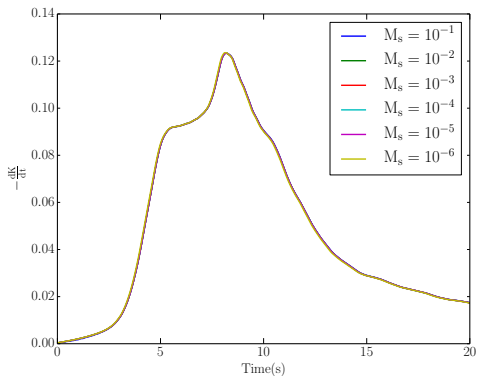
$$u_y(x, y, z) = -u_0 \cos x \sin y \cos z,$$

$$u_z(x, y, z) = 0 \quad \rho = 1.0,$$

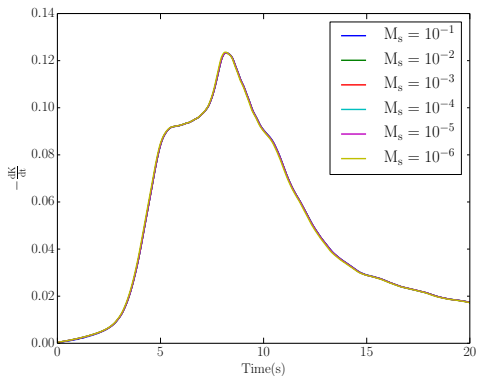
$$p(x, y, z) = p_0 + \frac{1}{16} \rho_0 u_0^2 (2 + \cos 2z) (\cos 2x + \cos 2y)$$

- ▶ Vary Mach number by fixing $u_0 = 1.0$, and varying p_0 .
- ▶ Investigate Mach number dependency, by measuring $\frac{dK}{dt}$

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Maximum difference in peak dissipation: 0.2%

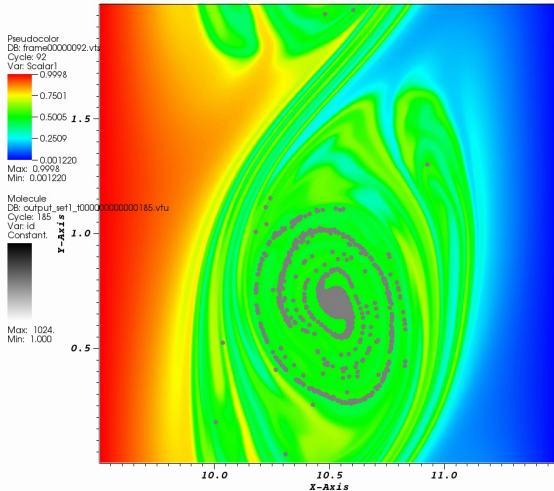
Trilinos Settings

- ▶ useNewPerturbation=false
 - ▶ $\lambda = 10^{-7}$
- ▶ But very code specific, see also:
 - ▶ Non-linear settings
 - ▶ Scaling/Normalisation
- ▶ Probably degenerate problem

Shear Mixing

- ▶ Important process in terms of:
 - ▶ Stellar Evolution
 - ▶ Extension of stellar life time
 - ▶ Linking to observations
- ▶ Try to quantify mixing using:
 - ▶ Tracer Particles
 - ▶ Passive Scalars (additional linear solve!)

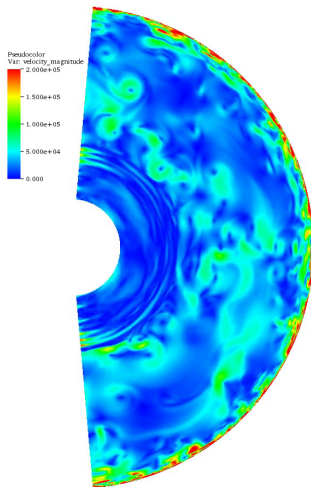
Scalar-Particle Test



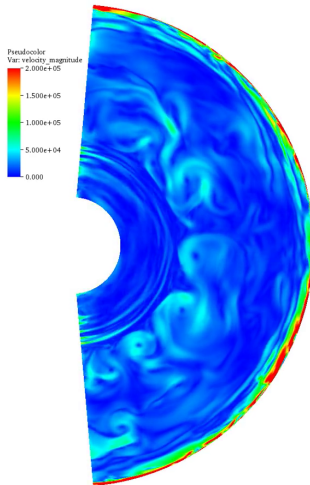
Accretion(C. Geroux)

- ▶ Modelling of interaction of star and environment
- ▶ Consider already formed star
- ▶ Accretion modelled can be described as:
 - ▶ Bursts/Short Term
 - ▶ Hot
- ▶ Effectively simulated as inflow boundary condition.

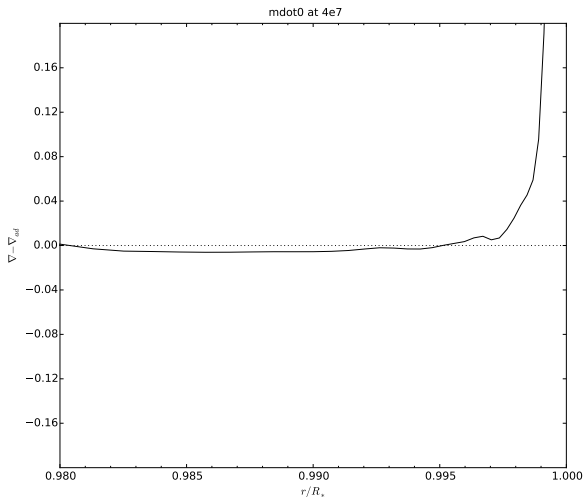
Accretion Control Run



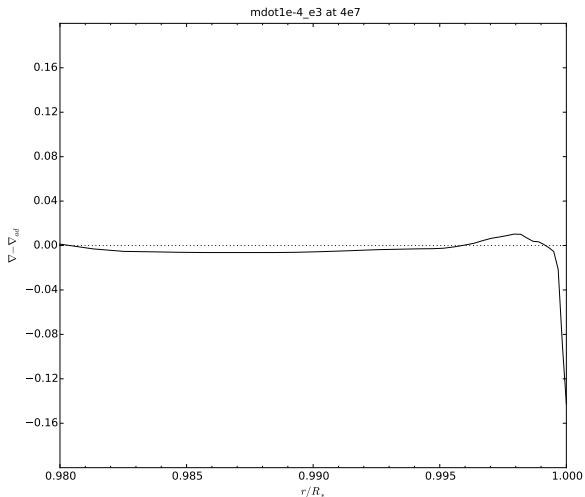
Hot Accretion



Convective Stability Control Run



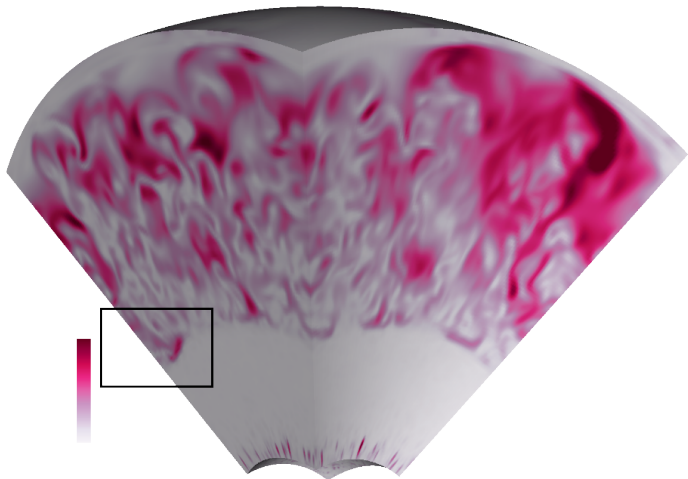
Convective Stability with Accretion



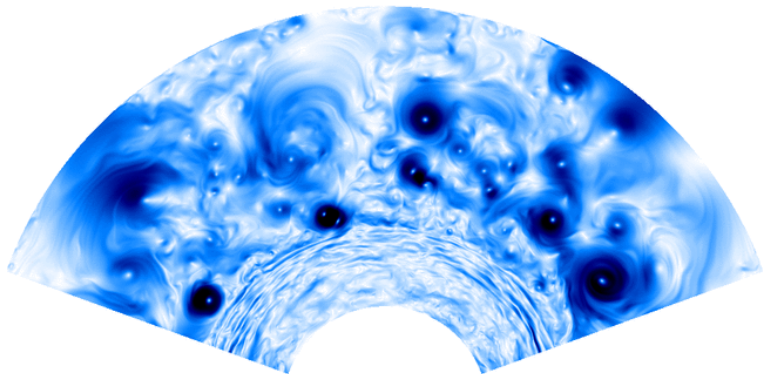
Convective-Radiative Zone Interaction (J. Pratt)

- ▶ Convective flows can displace fluid from convectively unstable to stable zones
- ▶ Penetration refers to a permanent displacement of this boundary
- ▶ Overshooting is a short-time ballistic process
- ▶ Convective-Radiative boundary can be important for:
 - ▶ Chemical Mixing
 - ▶ Angular Momentum Transport
 - ▶ Dynamo Processes

Overshooting 3D



Overshooting 2D



Questions?

